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FOR: DEVICE AND METHODS FOR COUPLING/UNCOUPLING A TARGET OR AN OBJECT PRESENT IN A SAMPLE

## **RESPONSE**

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated November 27, 2009, please reconsider the above-identified application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.